Judge Barbara Linde

Judge Linde was appointed to the King County Superior Court bench on January 26, 2012, by Governor Christine Gregoire. She assumed the position previously occupied by Judge Philip Hubbard, who retired at the end of the previous year.

Judge Linde started her legal career with the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, where she worked on felony prosecutions in Superior Court. She tried roughly 100 felony jury trials to verdict, including a number of murder prosecutions. Some of her work also was in the Special Assault Unit handling sexual assault, child abuse, and domestic violence cases.

Later Judge Linde was elected to the King County District Court bench, where she spent 17 years hearing both civil and criminal cases and serving as Chief Presiding Judge. In 2010 she was one of 11 judges invited to participate in the National Center for State Courts Leadership Forum for Presiding Judges.

Judge Linde earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Washington before graduating cum laude from the Seattle University School of Law (originally the University of Puget Sound Law School).